United States Environmental Protection Agency Region V POLLUTION REPORT

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.

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Subject: Final POLREP, Second Action, Ceiling Increase

Lane Street Groundwater Lane Street, Elkhart, IN Latitude: 41.716745 Longitude: -85.920974

POLREP No.: 3 Site #: B5LH

Reporting Period: D.O. #:

Start Date:9/5/2007Response Authority:CERCLAMob Date:Response Type:Time-CriticalCompletion Date:11/26/2008NPL Status:Non NPL

CERCLIS ID #: INN00510229 Incident Category: Removal Action

RCRIS ID #: Contract #

Site Description

On February 22, 2008 13 filtration devices were installed to provide the residents on Lane Street with safe municipal drinking water, as a result of their wells being contaminated with high levels of trichloroethylene (TCE). IDEM (Indiana Department of Environmental Management)conducted an investigation looking for a Potential Responsible Party (PRP). This effort did identify an area of severe soil contamination, but after an enforcement effort by the U.S. EPA it was concluded that not sufficient evidence was available to notice any PRP at this time.

It was also decided by the U.S. EPA and IDEM to "score" the site for inclusion onto the NPL (National Priorities List). As this effort could take years to complete an RIFS (Remedial Investigation Feasibility Study), it was decided not to hold the residents on Lane Street "hostage" during this time period. Since the scoring process would not be affected by the installation of the permandent remedy (municipal water, the decision was made to initiate a construction effort to bring municipal water to the residents on Lane Street.

The residents were informed of this action in a neighborhood meeting held on October 16th, at which time access agreements and the City of Elkhart, Indiana "Compact Agreement" were signed by the 26 residents. These residents wells were either presently contaminated or their wells held the high degree of probability of becoming contaminated in the future.

Construction activities commenced the week of November 3rd and all 26 homes were connected to city water on November 26th. Landscaping work, road cleaning and well abandonment work was finished by the end of the first week in December.

Current Activities



Planned Removal Actions

Second Removal Complete

Next Steps

IDEM to continue the NPL scoring process in the next year.

Key Issues

Complete the NPL process. Identify a RP

Estimated Costs *

	Budgeted	Total To Date	Remaining	% Remaining
Extramural Costs				
ERRS - Cleanup Contractor	\$300,000.00	\$291,442.00	\$8,558.00	2.85%
Intramural Costs				
Total Site Costs	\$300,000.00	\$291,442.00	\$8,558.00	2.85%

^{*} The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor(s). Other financial data which the OSC must rely upon may not be entirely up-to-date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

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